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We have just received
A Big Line of
Men's Wool Pants
Shirts and Mittens and everything
that Men want

We also received the finest line of
Outing Flannel Blankets, Comforters
and Suits for Children. Mothers,
don't send away for your boy's Suit or
Overcoat because you had to pay so
much before. Now you don't have
to do that, we have them all beaten
on prices. Come in and buy a
hand-tailored ready-to-wear Hand
Craft Suit or Overcoat and save \$8
to \$12 on a suit.

BRENNER'S CASH STORE

We meet and beat all competition—Grayling, Mich.

DO YOU Want to save Money?

Then Here Goes!

We have now for several weeks been telling you about what we have got in the Grocery line, which is always composed of the highest quality at the lowest prices. I would now like to call your attention to our

Shoe Department

We have a very large stock of Men's, Boys', Ladies', Misses' and Childrens' Shoes, Oxfords and Strap Sandals. We have a lot of Ladies' Shoes worth \$2.50 to \$3.00 which we will close out at

Less than Half Price

Respectfully Yours

H. PETERSEN

Do You Buy Clothes Service?

IT'S A GOOD THING to know when you buy Clothes that they're going to hold their shape, and wear fully as long as you expect. So it's worth a few dollars more on the original price of a suit to get the assurance of Clothes Service.

You can buy some clothes cheaper, but none that will cost you less by the year than those made as you dictate by

ROGERS, BLAKE & CO.
Tailors to Fashionable Men

I now are showing their new lines of about 400 samples, the richest selection it has ever been my privilege to handle, and they are priced no higher than most "Shelf" Clothes. Yet the materials, the inner construction, and hand-needle work assures you of long service and lasting satisfaction.

We gladly show on a "money back if not satisfied" basis.

A. E. HENDRICKSON
The Merchant Tailor

BIG REPUBLICAN MASS MEETING

SPECIAL TRAIN WILL ARRIVE
AT NOON NEXT THURSDAY.

**Mon. Amos S. Musselman and
Other Well Known Speakers.**

The people of Grayling and Frederic will have an opportunity to hear short speeches by Hon. Amos S. Musselman, Hon. P. H. Kelley and other well known speakers at a noonday meeting next Thursday, Oct. 24th.

The Republican State Central committee's special train carrying the par-

2,000,000 Red Cross Seals in Michigan:

Michigan's consignment of 1912 Red Cross Christmas seals has been received at the office of the Michigan Association for the Prevention and Relief of Tuberculosis, in Ann Arbor. Two million seals were shipped in this consignment, and it is probable that more will be ordered before December 1st. Twenty local and county agents have already been appointed.

The seal this year is far more attractive than ever before and the Michigan association believes that the sale in Michigan this year will be much larger than ever before. The total number of seals sold in this state last year was 754,210, or \$7,542.10

SCHOOL NOTES.

Interesting News From Our Educational Institution

Miss Dykes was absent Tuesday on account of illness.

The United States History class seems much interested in politics. We wouldn't mind if we could all vote on Nov. 5th.

The first grade pupils are enjoying their new chairs which serve as recitation seats.

The physics class have begun the study of simple machines.

The freshman class held a meeting Monday and elected the following officers: Pres., Lena Ellsworth, vice

AMERICAN FARMERS ARE NOT "BUNCED"

BUY FARM IMPLEMENTS CHEAPER THAN CANADIAN FARMERS.

CAMPAIGN LIE IS NAILED

Investigation by State Department
Gives Facts and Figures, and
Michigan Manufacturing Firm
Adds Evidence.

"Farmers Bunced by the High Tariff," is the title of a publication industriously circulated among farmers by the Tariff Reform Bureau of New York, a free trade annex of the Democratic party.

It asserts that American-made farm implements are sold in Canada at a lower price than they are obtainable by American farmers. The purpose of the statement is to prove that the American farmers are made to suffer through the operation of the protective tariff laws.

The statement is false. Plow, planter, cultivator and other farm implements made in the United States cost twenty-five per cent more in Canada than in this country.

The free trade advocates who try to mislead the American farmer do not know, apparently, that there is a so-called anti-dumping law in Canada whereby an American manufacturer cannot sell in that country at a lower price than at home.

Official Facts and Figures.

In addition to this, they are also ignorant to the fact that the United States government through its board of trade relations in the state department, has made a thorough investigation which disproves the statement. It issued under date of May 16, 1910, a document entitled "Comparisons of Prices of Agricultural Implements in Canada and the United States," which shows that Canadian farmers pay more for American farm machinery than is paid by the American farmers. Here are the figures: 14-inch steel beam walking plow—priced in North Dakota, \$22; price in Manitoba, \$25.

14-inch sulky plow with lift—price in Ohio, \$10; price in Ontario, \$15.

16-inch North Dakota sulky plow—price in North Dakota, \$52; price in Manitoba, \$60.

14-inch spring tooth harrow—price in Ohio and Michigan, \$17; price in Ontario, \$22.

8-foot, 16-inch disk harrow—price in North Dakota, \$38; price in Manitoba, \$45.

10-foot, 20-single disk Kentucky drill—price in North Dakota, \$125; price in Manitoba, \$140.

Riding cultivator, portable—axle—price in Ohio and Michigan, \$25; price in Ontario, \$35.

Hay loader, rake bar—price in Ohio and Michigan, \$60; price in Ontario, \$70.

First grade farm wagon—price in North Dakota, \$15; in Manitoba, \$16.

Evidence Offered with Proof.

Evidence to the same effect is given by the Gale Manufacturing company of Alton, Mich., which was specifically charged by the free trade advocates with selling goods more cheaply to Canadian farmers than to American farmers.

The secretary and general manager of the company under date of August 30, 1912, wrote to the Tariff Reform Club denying the charge and threatening to sue for damages unless the assertion was promptly retracted. The firm also wrote to the Republican national committee as follows:

"Plow, planter, cultivator and other farm machinery made in the United States cost 20 per cent more

in Canada than in this country. You can stand on this statement, and if it is challenged we can produce proof."

The proof mentioned in this letter consists of letters from retail dealers throughout Canada quoting the prices at which the products of the Michigan factory are sold to Canadian farmers. These figures agree substantially with those given in the government publication. For instance, a planter which sells in Detroit for \$10 costs \$15 in Windsor, less than a mile away across the Detroit river, and a cultivator which sells in Detroit for \$30 cannot be bought in Windsor for less than \$36.

As soon as free trade statements are subjected to cold analysis of investigation their falsity is shown. It is an old proverb that a lie will travel seven leagues while truth is putting on its boots. It is important therefore, that farmers who have heard the untruths of free traders should promptly learn the real facts in the case.

The Kind of a Man He Is.

A few months ago a little Polish girl at Erie, Pa., wrote this letter to President Taft:

"Dear Mr. President—Myself and little brother are cold and hungry.

Mother is in jail. We are without food and wood. Dear Mr. President, can't you help us?"

What did the president do? Excuse himself on the ground of official duty, or pre-occupation? No. He answered the letter with his own hand, enclosing a crisp bill, telegraphed the authorities at Erie, who investigated the case, and before sun-down returned the mother to her sorrowing children.

By the way, did you ever read or hear of Colonel Roosevelt "doing a gentle, kindly, tenderhearted thing like that?"

PHONOGRAHS

The fall and winter months are before you with their long evenings to be spent some way. What would be better or give more enjoyment than an

Edison Phonograph

It would while away many a lonesome hour and help wonderfully to amuse and keep the family together. Don't you think it would be worth while to see about one?

The latest improved instruments are certainly wonderful, and with the NEW BLUE RECORDS to be on sale shortly, place the Edison as always in a class by itself.

C. J. HATHAWAY

Jeweler and Optometrist.

Free Berry Spoon

The Winners of celebrated Rogers Berry Spoons at the Model Bakery last week were:

Mrs. Will Brennan

Mrs. H. Sweeney

Miss Libby Malco

Miss Ruth Mahon

Harry Hill

A. B. Failing

MODEL BAKERY

If in need of

Carnations

try mine at 50c per dozen. Cabbage 50c a doz. and up. Beets, per bu., 35c, 50c, 75c. Radishes, per bu., 50c. Chrysanthemums ready about October 15.

Primula obconica, Stevia and Snapdragon later on.

MARKET GARDEN

John H. Cook, Prop.



BREAD, appetizing, temptingly delicious, big brown-crusted, white centered loaves—that's the kind you want. Here's the secret—use

Diamond Flour

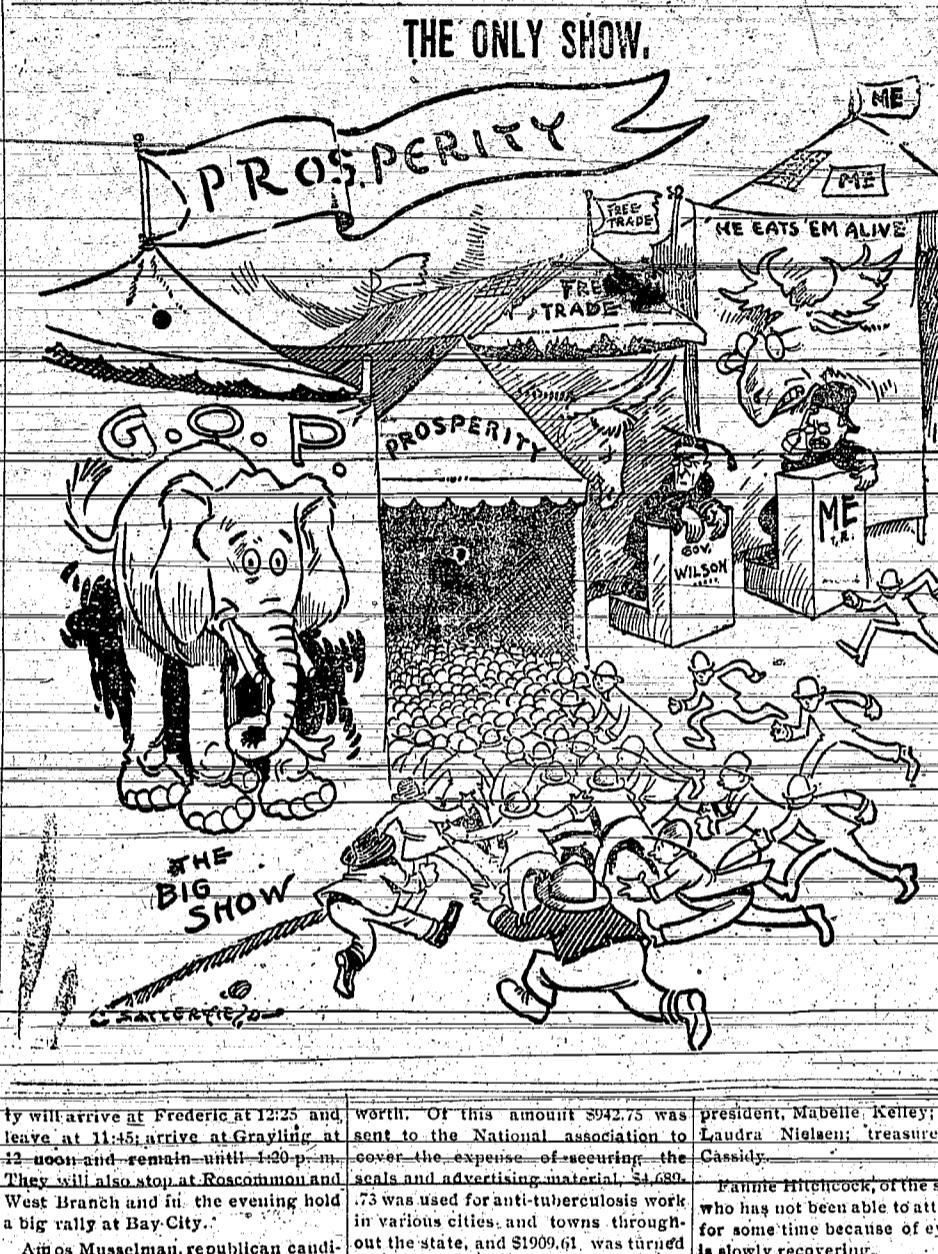
milled and blended especially for home use. It is the key to successful home baking. Try this unusually fine flour—get a sack today.

DAVID STOTT, Miller, DETROIT, MICH.

For Sale by M. Simpson

Fortune in Faces.

There is often much truth in saying "her face is her fortune" but it is never said where where pimples, skin eruptions, blotches, or other blemishes disfigure it. Impure blood is back of them all, and shows the need of Dr. King's New Life Pills. These promote health and beauty. Try them. 25 cents at A. M. Lewis and Co.



ty will arrive at Frederic at 12:25 and leave at 11:45; arrive at Grayling at 12 noon and remain until 1:20 p.m. They will also stop at Roscommon and West Branch and in the evening hold a big rally at Bay City.

Amos Musselman, republican candidate for governor is making friends wherever he appears and we earnestly hope that as many as can will attend this meeting. Mr. Musselman is a business man and a good one, and when elected will prove to be just as good a statesman.

Mr. Musselman is a man of electric character, high mindedness and above all suspicion of anything but sincerity in his motives. Political graft and corruption cannot find its way to the door of Mr. Musselman to know him personally would eliminate any such thoughts.

Michigan needs a business governor, and where can we look for such if not from a high minded business man? Mr. Musselman is a past master in business and a man especially well fitted to give Michigan a business administration.

The Hon. P. H. Kelley, candidate for congressman at large is also to be one of the party and we can expect a rattling good talk from him. He is one of the most brilliant and powerful speakers in Michigan. Not one of the smooth, oily tongued "augufiers" but a talker who can present his subject in a manner that anyone can understand and that will hold his listeners intensely interested to the last word. It matters not what may be our political faith, it is only justice to ourselves that we hear the present issues.

We just not jump to sudden conclusions and cast our ballots accordingly but carefully study the candidates and their fitness for the office they wish attain. It is our business as voters to vote intelligently and in order to do so must be posted on the issues, the men and their fitness. The band will be out and the speaking be either in the court yard or opera house. See bills for further announcements.

Moose "Meat." The I. O. O. M. held their third meeting Oct. 11 and initiated fifteen new members. The Big Moose, Joe Morrow did not get here until 1:25 a.m. A nice lunch was served and the young Moose were all mousing very contentedly when Joe arrived.

The regular meeting of the I. O. O. M. will be held on Friday, Oct. 18th.

—FAD.

When you have a bad cold you want the best medicine obtainable so as to cure it with as little delay as possible. Here is a "druggist's opinion": "I have had Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for fifteen years," says Elmos Lollar of Saratoga, Ind., "and consider it the best on the market." For Sale by all dealers.

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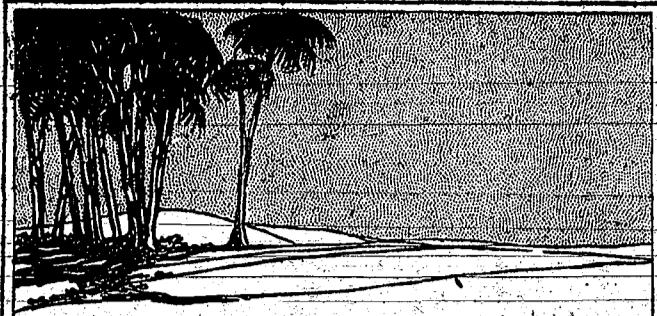
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The Get from Cape Bagdad

by HAROLD MAC GRATH
Author of HEARTS AND MASKS
The MAN ON THE BOX etc.
Illustrations by M.G. KETTNER

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"And Yet This Moment He Asked a Hundred for it!"

SYNOPSIS.

George Percival Algernon Jones, president of the Maccabees International Company of New York, thithering for romance, is in Cairo on a business trip. Horace Ryenne arrives at the hotel in Cairo with a carefully guarded bundle. Ryenne sells Jones the famous holy shroud rug, which he admits having stolen from a pasha at Bagdad.

CHAPTER IV.—(Continued)

Some light steps, a rustle, and he wiggled in time to see a woman open a door, stand for a minute in the full light, and disappear. It was she. George opened the door of his own room, threw the rug inside, and trotted along the corridor, stopping for the briefest time to ascertain the number of that room. He felt vastly more guilty in performing this less act than in smothering his men-

tor.

There was no one in the head-porter's bureau; thus, unobserved and un-

embarrassed, he was free to inspect

the guest-list. Fortune Chedsoye. It

had never seen a name quite like

its quaintness done to him,

as it had done to Ryenne, the pa-

toral, the buccolic. Rather it remind-

ed him of the old French courts,

of rapiers and buckles, of powdered wigs

and turbuloes, masks, astrologers,

love-intrigues, of all these—colorful

mutable scenes so charmingly de-

scribed by the genial narrator of the

exploits of D'Artagnan. And abruptly

out of this age of Lebrun, Watteau,

Mollere, reached an ice-cold hand,

that elderly cooter wasn't her father,

it was he and what?

The Major—for George had looked him up also—was in excellent trim for his age, something of a military dandy besides; but as the husband of so young and exquisite a creature! Out upon the thought! He might be her guardian, or, at most, her uncle, but never her husband. Yet (O poisonings doubt!), at the table she had ignored the Major, both his jests and his at-

tentions. He had seen many wives,

joyfully from a safe distance, act to-

ward their husbands in this fashion.

Oh, rot! If his name was Caliban

and here Chedsoye, they could

possibly be tied in any legal bonds. He

dismissed the ice-cold hand and turned

again to the comforting warmth of his

hearth.

He had never spoken to young wom-

en without presentation, and on these rare occasions he had bronched the weather, suggested the possibilities of

the weather, and concluded with an

apostrophe on the weather at large. It

was usually a vindictory. For he was

always positive that he had acted like

a fool, and was afraid to speak to the

girl again. Never it failed, ten minutes

after the girl was out of sight, the

brightest and cleverest things crowded

upon his tongue, to be but wasted

on the desert air. He was not particu-

larly afraid of women older than

himself, more's the pity. And yet, had

he been as shy toward them as toward

the girls, there would have been no

stolen thimbles, no sad-eyed maiden

no such thing as The United Romances

and Adventure Company, Ltd.; and he

would have stepped the even tenor of

his way, unknown of grand passions,

great adventure, life.

George was determined to meet For-

ture Chedsoye, and this determination,

the first of its kind, to take definite

form in his mind, gave him a novel

sensation. He would find some way

and he vowed to beat his old enemy,

difference, if it was the last fight he

ever put up. He would maneuver to

get in the way of the Major. He never

found much trouble in talking to men.

Once he exchanged a word or two

with the uncle or guardian, he would

make it a point to renew the acquaintance

when he saw the two together.

It appeared to him as a bright idea

and he was rather proud of it. Even

now he was conscious of clutching his

Fortune Chedsoye, and may Beelzebub survive him if he could not manage to control his recalcitrant tongue.

As he passed out of sight, Major Callahan smiled. It was that old familiar smile which, charged with genial mockery, we send after departing fools. It was plain that he needed another peg to keep company with the first, for he rose and gracefully wended his way down stairs to the bar. Two men were already leaning against the friendly, inviting mahogany. There was a magnum of champagne standing between their glasses. The Major ordered a temperate whisky and soda, drank it, frowned at the magnum, paid the reckoning, and went back up stairs again.

"Don't remember old friends, eh?" said the shorter of the two men, caressing his incarnadined proboscis. "A smile wouldn't have hurt him any, do you think?"

"Shut up!" admonished Ryenne.

You know the orders, no recognition on the public floors.

"Why, I mean no harm," the other protested. "I took a swallow of wine."

"But, dash it! here I am, more'n four thousand miles from old Broadway, and still walking blind. When is the show to start?"

"Not so bad, old boy. You've got to have patience. You've had some good pickings for the past three months, in the smoke-rooms. That ought to soothe you."

"Well, it doesn't. Here I come from New York, three months ago, with a

wad of money for you, and a good game in sight. It takes a week to find you, and when I do . . . Well, you know. No sooner are you awake, than what? Off you go to Bagdad, on the wildest goose-chase a man ever heard of. And that leaves me with nothing to do and nobody to talk to. I could have cried yesterday when I got your letter saying you'd be in today."

"Well, I got it."

"The rug?"

"Yes, it was wild; but after what I'd been through I needed something wild to steady my nerves; some big danger, where I'd simple have to get together."

"And you got it?" There was frank wonder and admiration in the pure gentleman's eyes. "All alone, and you do it? Honest?"

"Honest. They nearly had my hide, though."

"Where is it?"

"Sold."

"Who?"

"Percival."

"Storage, you're a wonder if there ever was one! Sold it to Percival?"

You couldn't beat that in a thousand years. You're a great man."

"Praised from Sir Hubert."

"Who's he?"

"An authority on several matters."

"How much did he give you for it?"

"Just, just! It was all my own little joint. Wallace—I should hate to tell you about it."

"What about the stake I gave you?"

Ryenne made a sign of dealing cards.

"I threw it away on a lot of duds after all I've taught you!"

"Cards aren't my forte."

"There's a yellow streak in your hide, somewhere, Horace."

"There is, but it's the tiger's stripe.

"My friend. What did you do with my money?"

"I'm not suppose it would be a good price for it."

The Major laughed heartily. "And just this moment he asked a hundred for it. I'm not much of a hand in judging these things. I admire them, but have no intimate knowledge regarding their worth. Nothing tonight," he added to the bittersweet merchant.

"You've made a mistake," he interposed quietly. "That is Bokhara, but the castle of enchantment. He strode over leisurely and pretended to be interested in the case containing mediceo jewels.

"This is a genuine Bokhara embroidery?" the Major was inquiring.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, OCT. 17

Correspondence

Beaver Creek Breezes.

G. R. Gile spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Fulk.

Rev. Etheridge is on the sick list so there were no services Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Lewis Cook and son Raymond, left for Flint and Mr. Cook will follow her Saturday.

Henry Burgess and family have moved to the Fallin farm opposite the school house.

There was a good attendance at Sunday school last Sunday and supplies were ordered for the balance of the year.

Miss Maple Moon returned Saturday from a very pleasant visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Van Fleet of Detroit. She also visited friends in Flint and is very enthusiastic over that progressive little city.

The friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Will Moon gave them a house warming in their new home last Friday evening. Everyone had a good time. A fine packing case was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Moon as an expression of the good will of their guests.

Mr. A. B. Fulk left Saturday for Illinois where he will visit his children and parents, then he will go to Wichita, Kansas, to sell this year's crop on his ranch there. Mr. Fulk will be a guest for Crawford Co. as he is very enthusiastic over this part of the country. Mr. and Mrs. Fulk came here last spring on a visit, after having spent a year traveling in California and other Western states, and the longer he stayed the more he became impressed with the possibilities of northern Michigan in general and Crawford county in particular, and finally decided to locate here, buying the Wm. Raymond farm. When he returns he will be accompanied by one of his sons who will run the farm this coming year leaving Mr. and Mrs. Fulk at liberty to travel in the hopes of restoring Mr. Fulk's health. He will also bring with him alfalfa and Kafir corn seed which he believes can be grown here successfully.

Beaver Creek is waking up. If you don't believe it, see what we have been doing this year.

Andrew Mortensen has put a fine addition to his house, painted his house and barn and named the farm Beech Forest farm.

Mr. Ristberg purchased the Jennings farm and has given all the buildings a coat of paint and made other improvements.

Mr. Johnson purchased the Wm. Moon farm and set out 400 fruit trees.

W.H. Moor built a fine house on his forty acres opposite the one he sold.

Perry Hatch is building a house on his farm north of the school house.

A. B. Fulk has built a very substantial root cellar with granary above and they have named their place Woolbush farm.

Mr. Post has built a cozy little house on his place.

Samuel Dean is building a barn and Theo. Oellie is planning to add a kitchen to his house.

Lewis Cook purchased the Stewart place and made several improvements.

Sigsbee Items.

Hunting season opened Tuesday.

Potatoes which are a foot square are rather hard to get out of the ground.

Herbert Feldhauser came home from work to spend Sunday with his parents.

Jim Cuthbertson, of Frederic, was a caller at Sigsbee last week.

Several of the young people enjoyed a very pleasant evening at the home of Henry Feldhauser last Wednesday.

A dance will be given at the home of Henry Stephan, Saturday evening, October 19th by Herbert Feldhauser, Glenn Hanna and Co. All invited.

Anna Hamilton spent Friday and Saturday with Lucy Musselman and Emma Feldhauser.

Lovells Locals.

E. S. Houghton spent Sunday in Grayling.

Mrs. W. L. Decker of West Branch, was in the village the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Wm. Marsh spent Sunday with relatives in Roscommon returning on Tuesday.

Miss Jeanette DePeal on Tuesday for Omer where she will visit friends for the winter.

H. H. Ink and wife, of Columbus, O., are the guests at the "Underhill" for a few days.

Mrs. Deyarmond, of Lewiston, visited Mrs. McDonald at the fruit farm the latter part of the week.

A. H. Wells and wife, of Standish, arrived on Monday afternoon in their auto for a short stay at the Carrier house.

The stave mill has started up again and will continue until the stave lumber is cut out.

Clyde Lee has been confined to his bed for the past ten days with a badly lacerated foot is able to be out again with the aid of a crutch.

The Gleaners held a regular meeting on Saturday evening at the pavilion. Refreshments were served and a pleasant time is reported.

Miss Florence Resonette surprised her mother with an evening party on Tuesday of last week. The guests were entertained with dancing and a very pleasant evening was reported.

The man had been over in Mt. Pleasant and Gratiot county but heard they

could do better in this portion of the state. One of them, sweeping his hand from Illinois up toward this state said that the buyers from other states were like a wave progressing in this direction.

A Log on the Track

of the fast express means serious trouble ahead if not removed so does loss of appetite. It means lack of vitality, loss of strength and nerve weakness. If appetite fails, take Electric Bitters quickly to overcome the cause by toning up the stomach and curing the indigestion. Michael Hessheimer of Lincoln, Nebraska, had been sick over three years but six bottles of Electric Bitters put him right on his feet. They give pure blood, strong nerves, good digestion. Only 50 cents at A. M. Lewis and Co.

POOR FELLOW!

TEACHING HEN GOOD LESSON

Poultry Gate as Shown in the Illustration Will Save Sassing and Garden Truck.

NATURAL EVIDENCE

Gerald — understand that, other things being equal, a large wheel revolves more rapidly than a small one.

Geraldine — How your head must hum!

HAVEN'T WE IMPROVED?

Garden or Nest Gate.

In front of the nest, the other opening outward at the back or the side, so that the hens may go to another yard after laying, the poultryman may know which hens have and have not laid. Thus he may avoid the trouble usually connected with ordinary trap nests.

Breeders for Next Year.

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Acme or Croquet Slipper with the

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This is a very popular rubber and attractive in appearance. Comes well up at the back and completely covers the vamp of the shoe.

Made in Women's, Misses and Children's sizes to fit all styles of leather shoes. The excellent wearing qualities of LYCOMING RUBBERS insure perfect satisfaction. If your dealer does not carry them write us and we will give you the name of a dealer who carries them in your locality.

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Septa, Michigan

Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau.

This is the week that the County Boards of Supervisors are in session and before each of them in Northeastern Michigan will be presented the question of an appropriation to the Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau. This is a question in which neither politics, sectional feeling nor personal grudges should have consideration.

The work that the Bureau has been doing for Northeastern Michigan and the State of Michigan is well worth while. The amount appropriated by any individual county is not a large sum comparatively speaking and the entire sum raised by the Bureau, outside of the board of Supervisors, is even a larger amount than appropriated by all the counties combined.

Thus the aggregate amount of money raised enables the systematic campaign of advertising to be carried on, whereas any of the individual sums appropriated by any one county would go but a short distance in work of this class.

The work of the past year has been worth while and has made a lasting impression on a great many of the people, a large number of whom will sooner or later investigate, with the idea of becoming possible citizens of this district. Furthermore, the publicity of the Development Bureau has

perhaps had considerable to do with the fact that fewer people have moved out of the state of Michigan this last year than in the past. Michigan people are beginning to have impressed upon them that opportunities in their own section are equal to or greater than many of the strenuously advertised sections of far away.

A. H. Wells and wife, of Standish, arrived on Monday afternoon in their auto for a short stay at the Carrier house.

The stave mill has started up again and will continue until the stave lumber is cut out.

Clyde Lee has been confined to his bed for the past ten days with a badly lacerated foot is able to be out again with the aid of a crutch.

The Gleaners held a regular meeting on Saturday evening at the pavilion. Refreshments were served and a pleasant evening was reported.

The man had been over in Mt. Pleasant and Gratiot county but heard they

could do better in this portion of the state. One of them, sweeping his hand from Illinois up toward this state said that the buyers from other states were like a wave progressing in this direction.

A Log on the Track

of the fast express means serious trouble ahead if not removed so does loss of appetite. It means lack of vitality, loss of strength and nerve weakness. If appetite fails, take Electric Bitters quickly to overcome the cause by toning up the stomach and curing the indigestion. Michael Hessheimer of Lincoln, Nebraska, had been sick over three years but six bottles of Electric Bitters put him right on his feet. They give pure blood, strong nerves, good digestion. Only 50 cents at A. M. Lewis and Co.

POOR FELLOW!

TEACHING HEN GOOD LESSON

Poultry Gate as Shown in the Illustration Will Save Sassing and Garden Truck.

NATURAL EVIDENCE

Gerald — understand that, other things being equal, a large wheel revolves more rapidly than a small one.

Geraldine — How your head must hum!

HAVEN'T WE IMPROVED?

Garden or Nest Gate.

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POULTRY

FRESH EGGS IN GOOD DEMAND

Little More Attention to Details Will Result in Profit, Repaying Time and Labor.

(By PROF. A. G. PHILLIPS, KANSAS.) The demand for eggs seems practically unlimited, more especially for the better grades. The growth of the storage industry has tended to equalize prices by increasing the demand in summer when fresh eggs are plentiful and supplying the deficiency in winter when fresh eggs are scarce.

Since the demand is greatest for the best grades, it seems obvious that a little more attention to details will result in a profit amply repaying the extra time and labor involved.

It is not the purpose here to enter into any discussion of the ways of increasing the production of eggs, but simply to point out the possibilities.

and for that reason justly asks for the customary second term. Mr. Benedict is particularly well fitted for the office of sheriff. He is well acquainted with every section in Crawford county and knows nearly every man. He is fearless and ever ready to go where duty calls him.

He may be found at any time attending strictly to business and is just the kind of a man that Crawford county wants as a chief guardian of the peace.

Election day is Tuesday, Nov. 5th, so plan on going to the polls and vote thus:

x Homer G. Benedict, for Sheriff

An Excellent Egg Candler.

of profit as a result of extra care in handling and marketing the eggs now produced; the extra profit is to be made by obtaining the top retail price, and, as consumers become

acquainted with the product, by obtaining a premium of from one to five cents per dozen over the regular price paid for ordinary eggs.

In order to obtain top prices for eggs, they must be uniform in size, uniform in color, and uniform in quality.

The uniformity in color is not always important and depends on the market; uniformity in size excludes small eggs and

Get them from the Lewis Drug Co.

Goods for the Kitchen . . .

Fruit Colorings
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Ext. Vanilla, THE BEST
Ext. of Lemon
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We appreciate your patronage.

Prescription work a specialty.

A. M. Lewis & Co.

Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, OCT. 17.

Local and Neighborhood News

Hans Anderson, father of Carl Morris, is seriously ill.

For first class auto service call on Olson's Auto Livery.

Jesse Sales of Gaylord spent Sunday with friends here.

Don't forget the supper and fun on Nov. 21, by the L. A. S.

Miss Leelah Clark is the new organist at the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. J. C. Reynolds is in Bay City this week visiting with friends.

See the display window of Danish baked goods at the Model bakery. \$2.25.

The attendance at the Methodist Bible school on Sunday was seventy-five.

The M. E. Ladies Aid society met with Mrs. M. Bates for work on Thursday.

Cecil Nuegenfels, and Athos Logan, of Lewiston, visited friends here a few days this week.

Thos. Cassidy made a business trip to Vanderbilt Monday afternoon and to Roscommon Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred Pratt, Dave Harrington and James Niclson were dismissed from Mercy hospital Monday.

We show proof of all portrait work until you are satisfied—thus guarantee to please you. WINGARD'S STUDIO.

Oct. 10, 2w.

Any Knights of King Arthur living in Grayling are invited to call on the Methodist preacher who is a Merlin of the castle of Wawatam.

Strayed calf came to the farm of John Maleo in Maple Forest. Owner may have some by proving property Oct. 9, 3w.

Miss Mildred Bunting is filling in at the telephone office during the absence of Miss Hattie Glerke who is taking a weeks vacation.

The Boy Scouts will march to drum and fife. If there are any fife in town they will be welcome at the Boys meeting on Friday night.

Nice broilers running from 40 to 75¢ each dressed or alive, if ordered on Friday or before 9 a. m. Saturday. Phone 864. BARNETT KENOR.

Miss Brant is back in her place at A. Kraus and Son's store again after visiting a couple of weeks with her parents and friends at North Branch.

Mrs. Hans Peterson and daughter, Mrs. James Olsen went to Bay City Saturday to visit for a time at the home of Mrs. Peterson's son, Peter Petersen.

Don't forget the "biled" dinner at the G. A. R. Hall next Saturday noon and the exhibit of farm and other products. Everybody invited. Plan to take your dinner there next Saturday.

Carpet loom for sale. Being unable on account of health, to longer operate my carpet loom, I wish to dispose of same and will offer any one wanting such a good bargain.

10-17-1w. Mrs. H. COUNTRYMAN.

A patrol of Boy scouts will be organized on Friday, in the boys department of the Methodist church, at 7:30 p. m. All boys, 12 and over, are invited. First lesson Boy Scout law and salute. V. J. HURST.

To day the members of the State Military Commission and the State Military Board are here for the purpose of inspecting the proposed site of a Portage lake, for a permanent camp to the Michigan National Guards. They are being piloted about by Messrs. O. F. Barnes, President chairman, Tom J. Collier, M. Hanson and Geo. Belmore. The visitors arrived this morning and after breakfast started for Portage lake. In the evening a fine game dinner will be served in their honor at the M. Hanson cottage at the lake. Paul Lovley who has charge of the commissary department at T-town, will prepare the banquet and it is a foregone conclusion that it will be of high order. There will be venison, duck, partridge and everything to make the dinner an enjoyable one.

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Three Days Special Sale

of our entire line of Children's Coats.

For Friday, Saturday and Monday especially low prices will prevail.

Bearskin Coats in white and red at \$2.00; sizes 2 to 6.

Children's Cloth Coats, sizes 2 to 6, in blue and fancy mixture \$3.00 and 3.50 value, at \$2.69.

A full line of Junior Coats, sizes 13-15-17, new styles at \$5.00 and up.

Girls Coats in fancy and plain colors worth \$3.50—4.00 now \$2.75.

\$5.00 and 6.00 Girls Coats, 8 to 14, now \$3.75.

\$7.00 and 8.00 Coats, sizes 8 to 14, now \$5.00.

\$10.00 and 12.00 Coats, sizes 8 to 14, now 7.75.

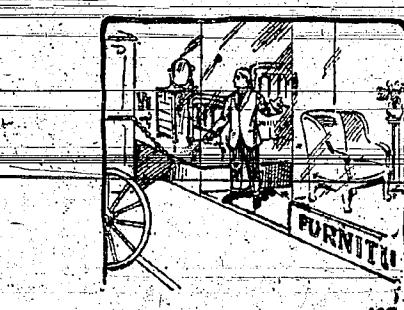
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The Quality Store

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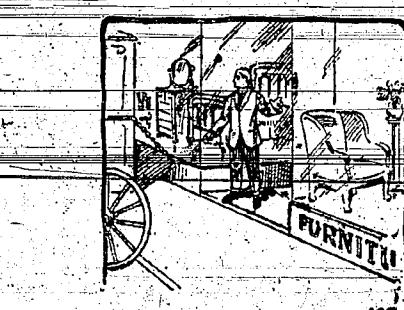


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We are well prepared to serve you.

Sorenson Bros.

Splendid Gloves for Engine-men

One of the famous

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line, with the patented "RIST-FIT." Cuffs always stiff, never sag over hand. Heat and cinder-proof, too. Made of soft, washable "Reindeer" leather. They're Engineers' favorites. Just as good for other railroad men and all working men.

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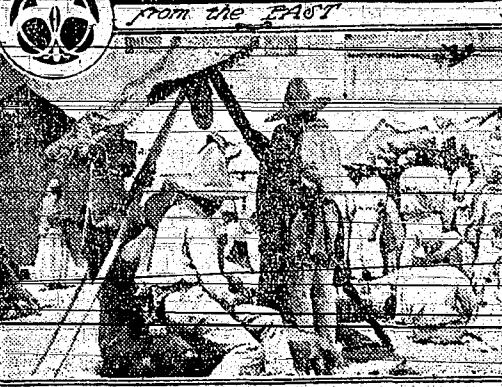
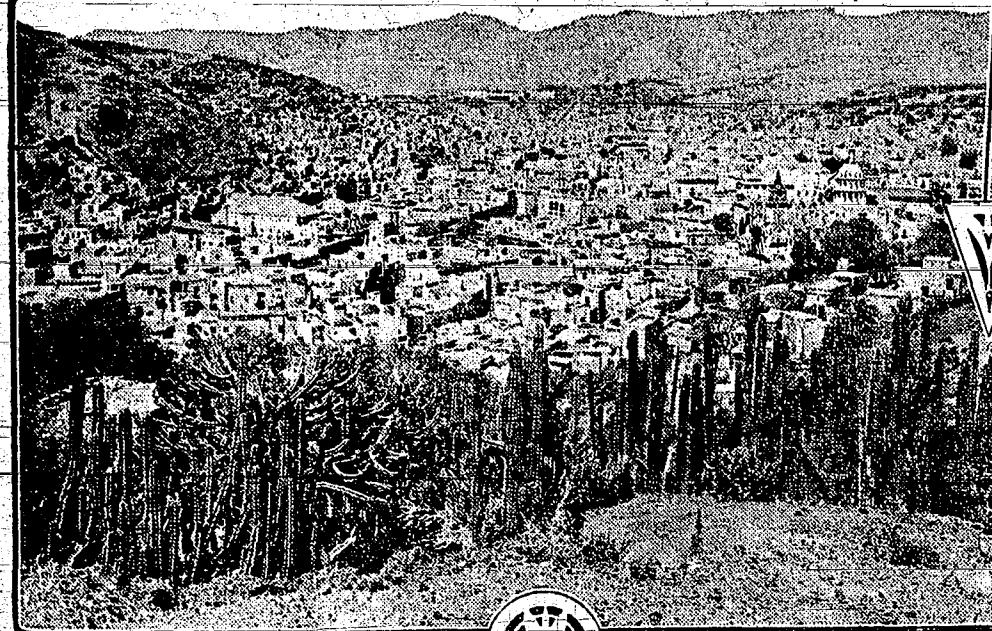
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EDW. E. EVANS

WEST BRANCH, MICH.

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GUADALAJARA'S DOOM IS NEAR



STREET SCENE

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lined to an area not more than 100 miles in diameter. Neither Colima nor any other volcano in Mexico was in eruption. We had to look closer to Guadalajara for the cause. We made a trip through the surrounding country and discovered that the city lies in the center of what was once a volcano.

The walls of this ancient crater are fully 15 miles on all sides from the city. From the character of the stone composing these walls, their evidences of fire and the condition of the lava fragments which litter the bowl of the crater, I should say it was last active from 1,000 to 2,000 years ago.

The mountain range which surrounds the city on all sides is the wall of this ancient crater.

On the north and east you know the plateau of Morelos slopes downward to these ranges; on the west and south the ancient volcano's wall slopes away 5,000 feet downward through some 70 or 80 miles to the Pacific ocean. This

was an ideal location for a volcano and precisely similar to the location of Colima, still

active, and Orizaba which, while still smok-

ing, has not been ac-

tive for 400 years.

The mountain range which surrounds the city on all sides is the wall of this ancient crater, which must have been larger than any volcano of which we have knowledge at the present day.

Two "conservative" ladies of old-fashioned notions were traveling in the west, and becoming interested in the "blow hole" or vent. Over this blow hole the Spaniards who conquered Mexico set up the city of Guadalajara, little thinking that they were laying a veritable death trap for their settle-

ment. Slowly through the eighteen or twenty

centuries since it was last active this central

mountain, not of the old volcano has been forming

a new and equally powerful mass of molten ma-

terial which sooner or later will blow Guadal-

ajara off the face of the earth.

An earthquake, landslides, mudslides or

other elemental disturbances filled the opening of this ancient crater with a cap 300 feet in thick-

ness. This cap, much thicker than that which any other volcano has had to blow off, is the only

thing that has saved Guadalajara from destruc-

tion, years ago. How long it will protect the city

now is a question no man can answer and prove

the answer—it may be years, to my mind it is

a matter of months. In any event, I believe that

the only way to save the capital is to move it bodily and move it while there is time to do so.

Aside from its scientific interest, and from the

unique situation of a city built on a volcano,

there remains the very practical problem which

confronts Guadalajara—the job of moving a city

of 100,000 souls to a new location. So far Juan-

can is the most likely candidate for the honor

of being the capital of Jalisco, but there are a

number of other towns out of range of the buried

crater, all of which will be considered before the

change is made.

All sorts of wild propositions to tap the crater

and draw off the incendiary fires have been made

to the authorities of Guadalajara, but the men of

science say there is no way to curb the "demon

of fire" caged by nature below and that the city

must be removed or it will be destroyed. One

man proposed fashion the waters of the Santiago

river into a huge tunnel, driven to the heart of

the crater, but the earthquake specialists quickly

informed the city officials that this merely would

cause an immediate and more terrible explosion

than if the crater were left to itself.

Another man offered to tunnel into the crater

from a point five miles outside the city, and on

the slightly lower or western side, and let the

contents of the crater flow out. He was dis-

appointed when informed that his tunnel would

have to be about 500 feet in diameter and that the

heat would be so great a hundred feet from

the inner end of the tunnel that human beings

could not endure it.

Thus it appears that unless a "surgeon for

earthquakes" appears, and that very shortly

Guadalajara will have to pick up her houses and

move to a new location. The result to real estate

owners and men who have bought or built on

one of the fine blocks which mark the main streets

of the Jalisco capital will be financial ruin.

Some of these men protest to doubt the word

of the scientists and to believe that the city is

safe. They will throw their influence and their

votes against moving the city unless they can be

convinced that there is a real personal dan-

ger for themselves and their families.

PATERNAL WISDOM.

Son, are you really determined to get mar-

ried?"

"Yes, father."

"And you feel that you can support a wife?"

"Oh, yes."

"Well, just remember that the dictionary says

"to support also means 'to endure'."

A PROFESSIONAL TRICK.

The Young Lawyer—How do you expect to

prove that your client is mentally irresponsible?

The Old Lawyer—Easy enough. His wife has

preserved all his old love letters and I'm going to

read 'em to the jury.

"We know the quakes were volcano and con-

pied out. The cathedral, which is one of the finest in Mexico, contains more gold and silver ornaments than any other church save the cathedral of Puebla, and has in addition the distinction of having been completed in 1618 and of having been almost destroyed by an earthquake in 1730. It was severely shaken in 1818, and cracked in three places by the first series of the 340 quakes of the past three months. In June, 1912. The towers are 200 feet high, Byzantine in construction, and the structure occupies one of the most valuable pieces of land in Guadalajara.

The most precious art possession of the entire

republic is contained in the sacristy of the cathedral.

It is Murillo's painting of the "Assumption of the Virgin," and it hangs directly above the entrance.

In point of color and freshness this

painting is better than any Murillo now known

to the art world of Europe or America, while the

automat restaurants, where

injured, containing a few drops of

G. MacDonald

pain killer, bandages, needle, thread, etc. Ten pennies in a slot opens the doors of toilet compartments, delivering a towel or piece of soap. A coin in a slot obtains a cigar, a tune from a mechanical music box, a pair of shears, a collar button, a visiting card, name plate for suitcase, tell one's fortune or weight, etc.

Had to Keep it Closed.

Physician—You shouldn't sleep with

your mouth open.

Patient—My dear sir, your advice is

entirely unnecessary, as I live in a

flat and I sleep at home.

Should Be Removed.

"You say he is useless in his pres-

ent position?"

"Yes."

"Oh, about as useless as a lemon

seed in a glass of tea."

Easy to Remember.

He—I haven't the heart to kiss you.

She—Well, take mine—Ulk.

Mr. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children

teeth aches, colic, grippe, infantile convulsions, bilious eruptions, wind colic, etc.

If you say what you like, others

may not like it.

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timely use of Beecham's Pills. This famous vegetable, and always efficient

family remedy will clear your system, regulate your bowels, stimulate your

liver, tone your nerves.

Your digestion will be so improved, your food will

be greater vigor and vitality, as well as buoyant spirits—after you know and use

RELATION OF THE DAIRY FARM TO PERMANENT AGRICULTURE.

When a man of practical knowledge coupled with the trained mind of an instructor says "that the educational value of a large dairy show cannot be estimated to men who are endeavoring to evolve the highest standards of efficiency upon their farms and in their dairy at the lowest cost of operation" there must indeed be great value to be had from an attendance at the National Dairy Show in Chicago this year.

Professor Kildree of Iowa Agricultural College is the author of the above statement and believes that lessons to be learned by looking over a thousand of the best representatives of the leading dairy breeds and the information and inspiration gained from coming in contact with men who are foremost in the Dairy world, with the chance to inspect the most modern in dairy machinery, all leads to success men who might otherwise blunder along without getting anywhere. He says that the profits derived from dairy farming are determined by the following factors: Quantity of milk, quality of milk, cost of production, and the price obtained for your dairy products.

Thus, it must behove any man who is striving for success to attend this great educational exhibit, as by comparison alone can we measure our knowledge and the man who stays home and plugs along will not get from his efforts what his neighbor will extract from him, with more ease. Duke's Mixture

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PARALLEL STORIES OF FAMOUS CRIMES

By HENRY C. TERRY

THE CRIMINAL Tells How He Planned the Deed and Sought to Close Every Avenue of Knowledge Leading to His Guilt. The Detective Shows How Futile These Efforts Were and How the Old Adage, Murder Will Out, "Always Holds Good."

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AMAZING CAREER OF A WOMAN THIEF.

THE criminal records show that very few women have been successful as all-around thieves. There is no constitutional reason why they should not be able to make just as good burglars, pickpockets, sweks, or do any other kind of criminal work not dependent upon brute force. Women have tried their hands at every sort of crime, even to holding up men on the highway. But the common experience of women, except in the line of confidence work, forgery and pickling pockets, can generally be stamped as failure, and no good reason can be assigned for it.

While many women have been successful in limited branches of thievery, few have reached a very high place in the criminal scale. Among these no one is entitled to a more prominent position than "Peg" Foster, the widow of Denny Brady. She had only been married to Brady two months, and had been with him on several important robberies in Connecticut, where he was killed while boarding a schooner at Elizabethport, N. J.

"Peg" used to be an attractive woman in face and form, but the hard times which had come her way when I talked with her had wiped out much of her attractiveness, although her dark brown eyes are as full of fire as ever.

"PEG" FOSTER'S STORY.

When Denny died, said Peg, "I thought that I had enough of living on the run all the time. I made up my mind to settle down and live straight. I never had been pinched but once. I got out of that scrape by an alibi, so that I had a clean record. But the way you bend a tree it is bound to grow, and it was not long before I doubled up with Alec Foster, who is now in his grave because he would not listen to me. Alec was always reckless. I tell you the only thing that will keep some men in the traces is a woman."

"When I went in with Alec he was doing the hotels and doing them well. Then he got it into his fiery head—he had red hair—that his particular business would be very much better if he had a woman with him. I was willing to do anything, and as it was summer we started out to do the seaside resorts in style. But you never see Alec. Well, you remember that he was about as distinguished-looking a fellow as you would meet in a day's travel. When we went into a swell hotel and registered under some military title, you can bet that it went every time. Alec could fool the best of them, and I was not so very slow myself."

"It was a part of my duty to get on very friendly terms with the women in the hotels. Alec would do the same with the men. By keeping our eyes open we would pick out the rooms it would pay us to make a visit for professional purposes at such times as might be convenient. After we had got the game well planted we would wait until some transient guest arrived. It was usually dead easy work. Hotels at watering places were deemed so safe that few persons locked their doors. If they did it made no difference for I never saw a door that Alec could not open if he had a fair show."

"It was my work to enter the rooms and do the tapping. If any one should be aroused I could make an excuse that would go much better than a man could. Whenever I was caught after I had picked a lot of things in any of the other rooms I always made a great fuss about being robbed myself. This carried great weight when people were excited and had no time to think. The holder of the better it goes generally. If I got through the rooms without arousing any one we made it a point to report that we had been robbed first at the office. When the other guests came to the office with their tales of woe we had plenty of sympathizers."

"Alec and I worked the scheme up and down the Atlantic coast. We were never arrested on the whole trip. So far as I know we were never even under suspicion. We never kept the stolen goods around, but would send them concealed with other things, by express to New York, or some other city, to be called for and delivered upon payment of charges. We had many amusing times helping the detectives look for the thieves. It seemed so ridiculous to me on several occasions that if the men had been smart they certainly would have seen by my manner that I was only a hollow pretender."

"After the season had closed Alec and I made a tour of the country, and it was a star tour. We stopped at all the first-class hotels in the large cities and worked our little game to perfection. We never took anything but diamonds and money. We immediately pinched the stones from the settings to prevent positive identification in case we were discovered. We had a little trouble in Chicago, but easily pulled out of it with a liberal use of greenbacks, of which we had plenty on tap. Everything ran smoothly until we tumbled into Philadelphia and put up at the Girard House. I got caught red-handed in the room of a banker. Alec, who was in the corridor, flew to my rescue, and was shot through the lung by a night watchman."

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in the penitentiary. While in jail I became a party to a little romance, which I do not care to talk about. It ended in my being pardoned from the penitentiary after I had served less than a year.

"Two years after this I became reckless again and joined Jimmy Porter and Abe Norris, who made a specialty of robbing postoffices and country banks. I was in many jobs with them and used to do the planting as the agent for a sewing machine.

"I knew all about the use of tools and, as the presence of a woman always disarms suspicion, I always took her in the rippling work with Abe and Jimmy. I have been in many dangerous places with them and used to put on male clothing when it would aid the game. I was in several shooting scrapes and exchanged shots with the best of them, but never got hit.

"The last big trick I was in was very disastrous in the end. We spent two weeks in putting up a job in the Middletown, N. Y., postoffice and bank. I sold machines in the town for a while. I soon got into two valuable facts. Money to take up \$200,000 in bonds was in the safe at the bank. The safe at the postoffice was the repository for the valuables of many of the residents. The safe in the bank was the toughest one I ever saw for a small one. It took four hours hard work to get into the strong box. We did the box in the postoffice in less than half an hour. When we started from the bank we had about \$150,000 in cash and jewelry. It was a rich haul for a little piece. We had to run the gantlet when we left the bank and had a lively chase for several miles. Fortunately our pursuers were thrown off the track by mistaking the road which we took, and we reached New York safely. It looked as if everything was covered up in good shape, but the turn had come to our luck as it values in time to every crook."

DETECTIVE BRITTON'S STORY.

"The Middletown postoffice robbery," said Detective Britton, who was formerly a postoffice inspector, "aroused the authorities to feverish action. A large force of men was turned out to run down the gang. They had done work in a dozen places. From their style of breaking safes and getting away every time without leaving a single clue, it appeared that they were in the first rank of crooks. While I was trying to run down one robbery, I would hear of another one almost under my nose. This did not improve my standing with the heads of the department at Washington."

"One great difficulty in postoffice and bank robberies is that the thieves get plunder that can be used without arousing suspicion. Money, of course, goes everywhere. Thieves know enough not to try and put bonds that will be questioned into immediate circulation. I hunted high and low to find a place where the thieves might have tried to dispose of their booty, to get, if possible, a description of some of them. I couldn't even find a peg on which to hang a theory. When the affair at Middletown came on, I felt like jumping into a grave and telling the next man to get busy with the shovel."

"I was within ten miles of the place, and heard of the robbery early in the morning after it had occurred. I got to Middletown as quickly as possible. There I found a startling state of affairs. The thieves actually had been seen at work in the Middletown bank by the local police, which consisted of three men. Still they permitted them to get away."

"The escape was made through the culling of one of the gang, who had been posted as an lookout in front of the bank. It seemed that the police had seen four strangers in the town who acted suspiciously. One of them was recognized by a constable as a woman, in spite of her being dressed in men's clothes, who had sold his wife a sewing machine."

"It was about 11 o'clock in the evening. He notified the other constables, and together they kept watch on the gang. The constables had followed them for a time when they observed a man that seemed to be watching them. When the thieves got into the bank, he entered with them. Shortly after he emerged and in a shadow of a tree kept up his vigil."

"The chief of the constables after a while approached the stranger, who seemed startled when spoken to. When the constable said he was a policeman, the stranger appeared delighted and said he was just the person he had been looking for."

"The stranger in a very few words explained that he was a secret service agent. He said he had been on the track of the thieves who were in the bank for a week. He outlined a plan which would certainly lead to their capture and also the capture of two other thieves, who had just robbed the postoffice, which the constables at that time had not heard of."

"The bogus secret service man and the three constables watched the thieves break open the safe door with a drag, saw them pack the money and other valuables into a sack, put out the lights and leave. The stranger kept the constables from making an attack at that time by explaining that he had three assistants waiting, near the spot where their wagon was waiting. By going there the force would be large enough to bug the whole gang without trouble."

"When the thieves came out the stranger did not follow them, but went in another direction. He quieted the suspicion of the constables by telling them the thieves were going to the spot where their wagon was waiting. By going there the force would be large enough to bug the whole gang without trouble."

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WHAT GOOD PREPARATION, FERTILIZATION AND CULTIVATION WILL DO ON POOR SOILS

Infertile Spots in Field Selected for Corn Crop Were Enriched With Cleanings From Cow Stables and Poultry Houses—Seed Carefully Selected.

(By H. H. SHEPPARD.)

Believing that early preparation counts for much in final results, I began to prepare for this season's corn crop last winter. Having selected the fields for the crop, infertile spots in these fields were enriched with cleanings from the cow stables and poultry houses.

If the season be dry this surface

manure acts as a mulch, retaining much needed moisture, and if the season be wet the richness is developed and immediately taken up by the roots of the growing corn.

On another level field similar re-

sults were obtained by applying old

wheat straw to the surface and har-

rowing and cultivating it into the soil.

During the driest period the soil

treated with this old straw was always

moist and the corn was never checked

in its growth.

In all cases of surface manuring the

physical nature of the soil was im-

proved, and the cultivator did more

effective work than in any other

method.

All of my corn ground soil was

worked down well before planting ex-

cept about an acre of wheat stubble

soil which I intentionally planted after

only one light harrowing.

This soil was very loose and fine

but not at all compact and even

there were no large clods and the

planter placed the seed in the soil

reasonably well but rather deep and

uneven.

Although the season was dry and

the soil in long, loose rods, yet there

was sufficient moisture to sprout the

seed and it came up as well as in

other soil better worked down.

There were so many unfavorable

comments by good neighbor corn

growers on this experiment that I

fearred that it would turn out badly.

It looked at first when the corn was

young like a piece of very poor farm

but I had an idea in mind and

wanted to test it to my satisfaction.

The idea was as to whether a bet-

ter corn crop can be grown by fully

working the soil before planting or

whether a part of it can just as well

be done after planting while the corn

is growing. One year's experience on

one kind of soil, of course, will not

give conclusive proof.

The first thing I did to this poorly

planted acre of corn was to give it

four small, fine harrows at intervals of

a few days apart while the corn was

young. This was done to level and

compact the loose and very uneven

soil.

The corn came on and grew, but

did not make as much early gains as

did the corn in adjacent and better

prepared soil.

By the last of July the other corn

was about a foot taller than it, and

apparently thriving better in other

ways.

When the other corn was cultivated

for the last time I gave this place two

thorough extra cultivations, and the

latter time helping the corn is now

earthing nicely and is apparently as

good as the rest that was planted on

well prepared soil.

The final result will be known at

gathering time. I believe that with

the other corn will be much better.

It is a slow and laborious process

but it is well worth the trouble.

It is a good way to cultivate

corn, a cultivated crop, planting on

plowed ground with only one harrow

and good results follow if extra

cultivation can be given during the

growing season.

Profitable Frog Farm.

At Stagg, Cal., a woman runs a

frog farm and sells every year,

from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

She works hard and manages to make about

\$2,000 a year. Another frog farm in

New Jersey is run by a woman.

Plat of Prize Corn Six Weeks Old.

The Boy is Nine Years Old, and the

Rake He is Holding to Show Com-

parative Height of Corn, is a Com-

mon Steel Garden Rake.

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